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Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort & Casino celebrates this years many years of service milestone



Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort & Casino hosted a special appreciation luncheon for 74 of their associates, who celebrated a major service milestone in 2009. Each year Hyatt Regency Aruba recognizes the many associates who have been loyal to the Hyatt for 5,

10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years. Together with their families, managers and directors celebrated and enjoyed an incredible afternoon filled with music, dancing and laughter.

Associates reminisced about their years of service at the Hyatt, which added up to

approximately 840 years total.

Celebrating 5 years of service are: Adames-Valdez, Luisa - Housekeeping; Almazo-Gonzalez, Nancy - Housekeeping; Amador, Jesus - Kitchen; Brooks, Jeffrey - Guest Services; Bruin, Anthony - Casino Surveillance; Cicilia, Luisana - Balashi Bar; Desrosiers-Latouche, Dieudoneze - Housekeeping; Figaroa, Casimiro - Casino Bar; Geerman-Silva, Zoe - Cashier F & B; Greaux, Reynold - Casino Bar; Harris, Denise - Palms Restaurant; Lopez-Laguna, Julia - Housekeeping; Paesch, Altagracia - Housekeeping; Seelochan, Kassandra - Kitchen; Severe, Arastelle - Ruinas; Silva, Dean - Spa; St. John-Diaz, Elva - Kitchen; Thielman, Judith - Casino Pit; Tromp, Enrique - Casino Pit; Van Delden, Adolf - Kitchen; Van Der Biezen, Dolores - Palms Restaurant; Van Trigt-Janssen, Marlyn - Spa; and Vincentt-Huamani, Cesar - Recreation.

For 10 years: Arboleda, Victoria - Balashi Bar; Bautista-Polanco, Raquel - Reservations; Berkell, Charles

- Casino Surveillance; Carabali-Romero, Liliana - Shoco Market; Corpuz, Editha - Shoco Market; De Freitas, Rondon - Casino Compliance; De Jesus, Josefa - Kitchen; Dumfries, Candice - Casino Pit; Espinal, Ramon - Casino Cashier; Kelly-Tromp, Suhail - Accounting; Lampe, Alfonso - Casino Bar; Lewis-Quiroga, Martha - Housekeeping; Paula, John - Casino Surveillance; Roch, Jadira - Casino Pit; Rodriguez, Wladimir - Front Office; Silva, Carolina - Kitchen; Tromp, Nelson - Casino; Vilchez, Angel - Casino Compliance; and Winklaar, Andy - Casino Bar.

For 15 years: Alleyne Raul - Stewarding; Arrindell, Norwin - Banquet; Castaneda-Arenas, Raquel - Landscaping; Charleston, Marie - Housekeeping; Clara, Clarita - Casino Cashier; Croes, Kenneth Michel - Casino; Croes-Dominguez, Sonaly - Front Office; De Windt, Omaira - Palms Restaurant; Diaz-Mercado, Clarisa - Balashi Bar; Estrella, Joisy - Footprints; Gallardo-Murcia, Luz Mary - Pier Bar; Gerneus, Marie - Housekeeping; Gurion, Elisa - PBX; Jules, Marie Ange - Housekeeping; Lazo-Mori, German - Engineering; Leonardo Alcantara - Casino Cashier; Litkewycz, Victor - Kitchen; Nicolaas-Angela, Joanna - Casino; Perez, Martha - Stewarding; Phillips, Paulina - Kitchen; Ras, Mateo - Engineering; Reed, Elba - Casino; Richardson, Merline - Housekeeping; and Vargas, Ana -

Housekeeping.

For 20 years: Cabrera, Joselito - Convention Services; Dumling, Leonardo - Palms Bar; Fingal-Kelly, Mary - Accounting; Hora, Florence - Front Office; Koolman, Raquelita - Accounting; and Verses, Rodrigo - Guest Services.

For 25 years: Pascual, Juliet - In Room Dining and for 30 years: Lazarte, Benjamin - Recreation.

We had two major milestone celebrations of 25 years by the name of Mrs. Juliet Pascual and Mr. Benjamin Lazarte, celebrating 30 years of services. Both these two dedicated individuals and their spouses were picked up at their homes by a stretch limousine and brought to the celebration in style.

At the end of the afternoon, the General Manager Ms. Susan Santiago, thanked them on behalf of Hyatt Aruba as well as Hyatt Corporation and Mr. Carlos Cabrera, for their dedication, passion, loyalty and authentic hospitality and service. According to Ms. Santiago, these associates embody the essence of Aruban Hospitality. They are like a fine wine, and only get better with time!

Each associate received a service award gift of their choice, to commemorate their years of service and loyalty.

The associates enjoyed a very memorable afternoon, with their managers and teams, and look forward to many more years together.

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"Passion of Christ" at Paseo Herencia



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Paseo Herencia Shopping & Entertainment Center Easter Holidays opening hours:

Good Friday April 2nd

- Closed

Saturday April 3rd

- Stores are open from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 4th

- Stores are open from 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Easter Monday April 5th

- Stores are open from 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Restaurants of Paseo Herencia Shopping & Entertainment Center are open during the holidays for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

NOORD -- On April 2nd "Good Friday," Paseo Herencia Shopping & Entertainment Center will have a street play "Passion of Christ," starting at 8 p.m.

The street play is performed by 40 local volunteers and is directed by Gina Nuboer (local artist). The play will be performed around the entire plaza of Paseo Herencia, ending with the crucifixion of Jesus Christ

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Jim Hepple, AHATA CEO: We must be more efficient and effective when marketing Aruba

AHATA CEO, Jim Hepple, during a recent meeting with Minister of Tourism Otmar Oduber to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) of the Aruba Tourism Marketing Fund 2010 where AHATA and the government will join forces to market Aruba, stated this to be a historical day for Aruba and the tourism industry. Creating an independent ATA opens up a path where the public and private sectors can work together to market Aruba in a more efficient way.

Mr. Hepple expressed his satisfaction in the open and constructive way the negotiations were held, leading to this agreement.

"We all know that Aruba is in very good position in the tourism world, but like any other destination, we are also struggling with the economic recession which probably will last for a substantial time. This



means that we must be more efficient and effective in our way of Marketing. We cannot afford to waste even one dollar, that is why we are happy with the incentive of the public and private sector with this achievement that leads us to the signing of this Memorandum of Understanding."

The AHATA CEO congratulated Minister of Finance Mike de Meza, with the compromise reached where the room tax will not go into the government coffers but in a separate marketing fund. He also congratulated Minister Oduber for achieving this compromise.



Mr. Hepple indicated that the fund gives them a better view on the money available for every year's marketing, because it will depend completely on the results of the sector. There is no need to wait at the end of each year to know

the amount of money obtainable for marketing, thus enabling them to plan more efficiently.

"There is nothing better than to work together and I believe that this is good for the future," Mr. Hepple concluded.

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Aruban author Pascal Roberts presents his book: 'My life's journey'

My Life's Journey

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF AN ARUBAN AUTHOR
Author: Pascal Roberts

Recently at the National Library, Aruban author Mr. Pascal Roberts presented his book titled: 'My life's journey'.

At the presentation Mr. Roberts shared with the public the process of publishing his book.

"When I completed the SCT story manuscript I was nearly 42 years. This first manuscript took me 18 months to write the rough draft, make necessary translations, edit and type such; a complex true story that was stored in a vault (safe) in Holland for 20 long years until I decided to write my autobiography "My Life's Journey."

When I was almost 62 years I was encouraged and motivated to write my life's story as in the opinion of others my life seemed to be a remarkable one full of struggles, achievements, love & lust affairs, visions and dreams, sickness and miracles, firm faith and great love for children especially for my grandson Gugu.

This book took six months

to write and is intended for serious and curious readers as it bluntly and plainly describes several matters in detail. Even though many opinions expressed in this book might be totally new to most people it remains nevertheless recommended literature for adult readers in the international markets.

It would have been impossible to write this manuscript without mentioning the great political/governmental leader of Aruba Betico as he played an important part in my life during the years we knew each other on a personal level. I would hope that the people would get to know our Betico as the kind person that he always was.

Certain percentage of the wholesale proceeds from the sale of this book will be donated to the Red Cross/Haiti and to the W.J.Clinton Foundation to help poor children in developing countries.

Pascal Roberts
Author & Publisher.

Mr. Roberts' book can be found at all local bookstores.

Celebrate Our Savior

*On Easter morn, we celebrate our Savior;
Whatever people seek in Him, they find.
In history, there has never been another So holy, sacrificial, good and kind.*

*His resurrection makes us all immortal;
In heaven, we'll be together with our King.
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By Joanna Fuchs

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A kitesurfer or kiteboarder uses a board with or without foot-straps or bindings, combined with the power of a large controllable kite to propel the rider and the board across the water. In 2006, the number of kitesurfers has been

estimated at around 150,000 to 210,000, with 114,465 inflatable kites sold that same year.

The sport is becoming safer due to innovations in kite design, safety release systems, and instructions. Riding styles have evolved to suit riders and conditions, such as wakestyle, waferiding, freestyle, freeride, jumping, and cruising.

Kitesurfing started on the island in 1998. Armando Wester, a professional windsurfer and certified instructor, and his buddies were the first ones to introduce Kitesurfing to the island of Aruba.

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itors and locals hooked on this new adrenaline rush sport. Their years of experience, the trade winds on the island, the beautiful Caribbean Sea and the latest equipment make it an ideal and safe place for anyone to learn to kite. Kitesurfing is a hybrid of wakeboarding, hand-gliding and windsurfing for a radical new approach of kite power.

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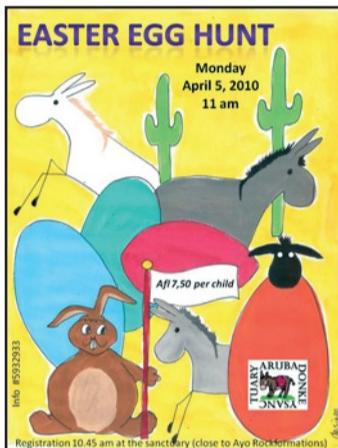


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Donkey Sanctuary Aruba Easter Monday Egg Hunt



On Monday, April 5th the Donkey Sanctuary Aruba is having an Easter Egg Hunt at the Sanctuary in Sta. Lucia.

The event will begin at 11a.m. The fee for the egg hunt is 7.50 Fls. per child. Registration will begin at 10:45 a.m. at the sanctuary.

This will be a fun event with three golden eggs for special prizes. All other eggs will have small prizes for the children. While the children are hunting the eggs the adults can learn about the sanctuary and its work as well as interact with the donkeys. They can shop in the gift store and have a beverage

Rules of Chocolate Easter Eggs

- * If you get melted chocolate all over your hands, you're eating it too slowly.
- * Chocolate covered raisins, cherries, orange slices and strawberries all count as fruit, so eat as many as you want.
- * Diet tip: Eat an Easter egg before each meal.
- * It'll take the edge off your appetite, and that way you'll eat less.
- * If calories are an issue, store your chocolate on top of the fridge. Calories are afraid of heights, and they will jump out of the chocolate to protect themselves.
- * Why is there no such organization as Chocoholics Anonymous? Because no one wants to quit.

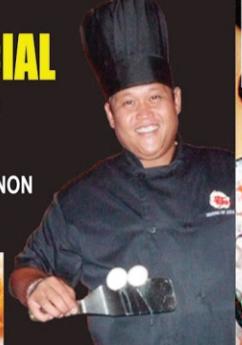
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from the café.
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For more information please call 593-2933.

On Easter Sunday local musician Carlos Bislip is presenting the concert: An Evening of Christian Jazz.

"The Gift of Resurrection" concert will take place at Seed of Life Worship Center (Bernardstraat 185 San Nicolaas) starting at 8 p.m. En-

trance is free.

Performers

Jamaal Baptiste.
Carlos Bislip.
Marciano Godett.
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Science/Tech.

Facebook to scrap 'become a fan of' for 'like'



NEW YORK (AP) – Facebook is about to change the way it asks its users to connect to brands and celebrities on the site. Rather than ask people to "become a fan" of say, Starbucks or Lady Gaga, Facebook will instead let users click that they like the subject.

Facebook already lets people show that they like comments or pictures posted on the site, and it says users click that term almost twice as much as they click "become a fan." Facebook says changing the button will make users more comfortable with linking up with a brand and will streamline the site.

Businesses use Facebook pages, which are free to create, to connect with their customers and promote their brands. Facebook makes money from the advertisements these companies often use to draw users to their pages. The average user becomes a fan of four pages each month, according to

Facebook.

"The idea of liking a brand is a much more natural action than (becoming a fan) of a brand," said Michael Lazerow, CEO of Buddy Media, which helps companies establish their brands and advertise on social networks such as Facebook. "In many ways it's a lower threshold."

But while it might seem to be less of a commitment to declare that you "like" Coca-Cola than to announce you are a fan of it, the meaning essentially would stay the same: Your Facebook friends would see that you clicked that you "like" a page, and such pages would still be listed on your Facebook profile for anyone to see.

The world's largest online social network is known for constantly tweaking the way users experience the site. This often draws complaints, but Facebook continues to draw millions of new fans. More than half of its 400 million users log in every day.

'Grrrr' Means Many Things in Dog Speak

In dog-speak, "grrrr" can mean different things. Dogs have special growls for different occasions, and other dogs can tell the difference, a new study finds.

For example, when a dog growls while playing, it sounds different than the same dog's growl while reacting to a threatening stranger or guarding food. And when scientists recorded these sounds and played them to other dogs, those dogs re-

acted differently based on which recording they heard.

"What is interesting in this result was that we could find some kind of proof that dogs can understand from another dog's vocalization something about the context," said researcher Peter Pongracz of Eotvos Lorand University in Hungary.

This skill has been hinted at in a few other species, such as monkeys and squirrels, but is largely unproven in the an-



Easter Sunday

Come find your eggs at the Hyatt Regency Casino



Play this Easter Sunday April 4, 2010 between 12 p.m. - 8 p.m., using your Casino Members Card, and receive a chance to pick one egg from the raffle drum with a chance to win many different prizes.

Prizes may include: brunch for two, breakfast for two, lunch for two or CASH.

For more information call 297-586-1234 ext. 4583

Dell rolls out eight mono laser printers



On Tuesday, Dell launched eight monochrome laser printers and MFPs ranging from fast models with low running costs for high-volume printing, to compact entry-level printers.

Among the high-volume models are the Dell 5230n, 5230dn, and 5530dn printers, as well as the Dell 3333dn, 3335dn, and 5535dn MFPs; the Dell 1130 and 1130n round out the

entry-level offerings.

The single-function Dell 5230n is rated to print up to 45 pages per minute (ppm) with a maximum duty cycle of 200,000 pages per month and offers print costs as low as 1.43 cents per page with a high-yield cartridge. The 5230dn adds duplexing (printing on both sides of a sheet of paper) to the 5230n's features. The Dell 5530dn is built for heavy-duty printing with speeds up to 55 ppm, with a maximum duty cycle of 275,000 pages per month and a claimed printing cost of 1.2 cents per page with an extra high yield cartridge.

Among the MFPs, the Dell 3333dn is rated to print and copy up to 40 pages per minute, capable of high resolution (up to 1,200-by-1,200 dpi), offers duplex scanning of up to legal-sized sheets; and offers print costs as low as 1.65 per page per page with a high yield cartridge. The 3335dn adds fax capabilities including color

fax (send function only), fax broadcasting, and fax forwarding. Both the 3333dn and the 3335dn are rated at up to 80,000 pages per month (maximum duty cycle) duty cycle. The 5535dn is rated at a speedy 55ppm, capable of printing at resolutions of up to 1,200-by-1,200 dpi, with a claimed running cost as low as 1.1 cents per page with an extra high yield cartridge, and has a maximum duty cycle of 275,000 pages per month.

As for Dell's new entry-level models, geared to home offices and small businesses, the Dell 1130 prints at up to 19 ppm (actual print speed will vary with use), and has a 250-sheet paper input drawer. The 1130n is similarly sized as the 1130, but can print up to 24 ppm and can be networked to support multiple devices.

The Dell 5230n, 5230dn, 5530dn and 5535dn come with a standard 3-year limited hardware warranty and next-business-day onsite service after remote diagnosis, while the 1130, 1130n, 3333dn, 3335dn come with a 1-year limited hardware warranty and next-business-day exchange service. They range in price from the \$119 (direct) for the Dell 1130n to \$3,519 for the Dell 5535dn.

HEALTH

To Supplement or Not to Supplement?



You know you should eat better — but that daily multivitamin pill, calcium supplements and possibly others compensate, right?

Perhaps.

But nutrition experts say that getting crucial nutrients from food, when possible, is better than popping pills.

The American Dietetic Association, in fact, has updated its guidelines on nutrient supplementation and now stresses that eating a wide variety of nutrient-rich foods is the best way to get needed nutrients and reduce the risk of chronic disease.

The update comes at a time when nutrient supplementation continues to be a growing trend all over the world. Americans spent more than \$23 billion on dietary supplements in 2007, according to the association's report, and one-third of adults use a multivitamin and mineral supplement regularly. Others use a variety of supplements, which prompts worry among health experts about the potential negative effects of megadoses.

So what makes it better to get nutrients from foods rather than pills?

"Foods are special," said Andrea P. Boyar, a co-author of the position paper and an associate professor of dietetic foods and nutrition at Lehman College of the City University of New York.

Foods are complex, and the nutrients within them interact in different and more beneficial ways than they would in supplements, she said. Also, many foods contain healthy dietary fiber, which isn't part of a multivitamin supplement, she said.

"Food is still the ideal,"

Boyar said, stressing that she means "whole foods" — those that are not processed or are as minimally processed as possible.

Yet Boyar and other nutrition experts concede that supplements can often fill dietary gaps. That's particularly true, she said, for vitamin D and calcium, especially as people age. She also cited iron, which is often needed by premenopausal women, who lose it with their monthly periods. And, for women of childbearing age, folate supplements have been shown to help prevent birth defects.

Overuse of supplements, though — and particularly megadoses — worries health experts. Megadoses of vitamin E, for instance, are particularly hazardous, Boyar said.

As for the ideal food-supplement balance, Penny M. Kris-Etherton, a nutrition professor at Penn State University, said that "ideal" depends on the individual but, in general, think healthy whole foods first.

"Food does not just provide one nutrient but a lot of nutrients and collectively helps individuals meet their nutrient needs," Kris-Etherton said.

She acknowledged that some people have trouble getting enough nutrients, especially calcium and vitamin D, through food alone. But she cautioned people to avoid high doses of vitamin E supplements, which have not proven effective in helping to reduce heart disease, as some had thought.

Smokers who take high doses of beta carotene supplements also can have adverse effects, she said. And

antioxidant cocktails can interfere with cholesterol-lowering drugs.

"Ideally, people would get their nutrients from their diet," agreed Dr. Michelle May, a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians and author of Eat What You Love, Love What You Eat.

She said she tries to dispel the "more is better" mentality that many people have when it comes to popping supplements. Their thinking, May said, is often: "It's natural, so it's got to be safe." But in many cases, she said, the megadoses are not needed or are, in fact, unsafe.

Severe mood disorder often misdiagnosed

CHAPEL HILL, N.C., -- A severe mood disorder -- premenstrual dysphoric disorder -- affects how women react to pain, U.S. researchers say.

Researchers at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine say 5 percent to 7 percent of all women of reproductive age have PMDD, but it is often misdiagnosed.

The study, published ahead of print in Biological Psychology, finds PMDD is biologically different and suggests physicians search for a specific diagnosis.

"PMDD is not garden-variety premenstrual symptoms," study lead author Susan Girdler says in a statement. "PMDD causes severe impairment in quality of life, equivalent to post-traumatic stress disorder, major depressive disorder and panic disorder."

Girdler and colleagues measured biological responses to stress and pain in women with chronic major depression and women with PMDD.

The researchers found depressed women have a heightened biological response to stress and release more stress hormones, but women with PMDD have blunted stress responses.

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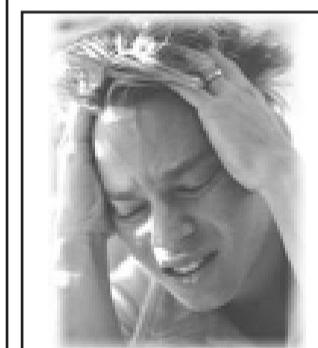
Antibiotic resistance pushing gonorrhea toward superbug status

Gonorrhea may soon reach superbug status, thanks to growing antibiotic resistance to the common sexually transmitted infection.

A new study shows that treating gonorrhea is becoming more difficult because the bacterium has become resistant to many antibiotics. If trends continue, researchers say there is a very real possibility that some strains of *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* may become

Tip: If You Have Symptoms of Panic Attack

Here's what they may feel like



A panic attack is a sudden, unexpected bout of intense fear. Its symptoms may be both physical and emotional. When this type of attack occurs repeatedly, it may be known as panic disorder.

The U.S. National Library of Medicine defines these common symptoms of a panic attack:

- * Pain in the chest, with rapid heartbeat.
- * Fainting or feeling dizzy.
- * Difficulty catching your breath, or feeling like you are choking.
- * Shaking or trembling.
- * Sweating, chills or hot flashes.
- * Being afraid of dying or being out of control.
- * Feeling nauseous, numb or tingly.

resistant to all current treatment options.

Gonorrhea is a common sexually transmitted bacterial infection. If left untreated, gonorrhea can lead to pelvic inflammatory disease, ectopic pregnancy, and infertility in women. Treatment for gonorrhea usually consists of a single dose of one of two antibiotics, cefixime or ceftriaxone.

"Choosing an effective antibiotic can be a challenge because the organism that causes gonorrhea is very versatile and develops resistance to antibiotics very quickly," researcher Catherine Ison, professor at the Health Protection Agency Centre for Infections in London, says in a news release. "Penicillin was used for many years until it was no longer effective and a number of other agents have been used since."

Ison presented a report on the growing antibiotic resistance of gonorrhea at the Society for General Microbiology Spring Meeting this week in Edinburgh, Scotland. She says the bacterium that causes gonorrhea is highly versatile and adept at acquiring and developing resistance to antibiotics.

"The current drugs of choice, ceftriaxone and cefixime, are still very effective but there are signs that resistance, particularly to cefixime, is emerging and soon these drugs may not be a good choice," Ison says.

"There are few new drugs available and so it is probable that the current use of a single dose may soon need to be revised and treatment over several days or with more than one antibiotic will need to be considered," Ison says. "If this problem isn't addressed then there is a real possibility that gonorrhea will become a very difficult infection to treat."



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European bishops urge victims to go to the police

VATICAN CITY (AP) – Swiss bishops urge victims of clerical abuse to file criminal complaints and are considering creating a national registry for pedophile priests. Danish bishops launch an investigation into decades-old claims. Austria's senior bishop celebrates a Holy Week Mass of repentence.

A week after Pope Benedict XVI excoriated Irish bishops for gross errors of judgment in handling cases of priests who sexually abuse children, European bishops are admitting to

mistakes, reaching out to victims and promising to act quickly when they learn about abuse cases.

Their mea culpas and pledges to be more transparent and cooperative in the future come amid mounting public outrage over the scope of the abuse and what victims say has been a pattern of coverup by bishops and the Vatican itself to keep the cases quiet.

"It's about improving things," Swiss Bishops Conference spokesman Walter Mueller said yesterday, as

Swiss bishops admitted in a statement that they had underestimated the problem and are now telling victims to consider filing criminal complaints.

In Austria, Cardinal Christophe Schoenborn celebrated a Holy Week Mass yesterday evening for abuse victims in what is being billed as a "sign of repentance" just days before Easter.

Schoenborn was named Vienna archbishop in 1995, tasked to clean up the mess in the diocese after Cardinal Hans Hermann Groer was forced to

resign as archbishop over allegations he molested youths at a monastery in the 1970s.

Several years later, the church was again rocked by the discovery of up to 40,000 lurid images at a seminary in St. Poelten, 50 miles (80 kilometers) west of Vienna, including child porn and photos of young candidates for the priesthood fondling each other and their older religious instructors.

Amid renewed outrage over Europe's sexual abuse scandals, Schoenborn announced

Putin to visit Venezuela

MOSCOW, Russia – Russia will cement energy and arms ties with Latin America when Prime Minister Vladimir Putin travels to Caracas this week to meet two of the United States' biggest foes, Venezuelan and Bolivian Presidents Hugo Chavez and Evo Morales.

The two leftist leaders can view Putin's visit as a boost after U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said this month that Washington's critics were losing force in the region.

Kremlin watchers will be also tracking comments by Putin on ties with Washington and specifically on a landmark arms-control treaty that his handpicked successor, President Dmitry Medvedev, and U.S. leader Barack Obama have agreed to sign in April.

Caracas and Moscow said the one-day talks between Putin and Chavez would focus on energy, agriculture and defense. Putin's office also said energy would be at the center of talks with Morales, who will also meet Putin in Caracas.

Venezuela, South America's top oil exporter and a member of the oil producers cartel OPEC, is seeking funds and technology to help develop its oil deposits and is also seeking loans to buy Russian military hardware.

Chavez traveled to Moscow in September to receive over \$2 billion in loans for weapons, which including tanks and the S-300 advanced anti-aircraft missile.

During the trip he announced Venezuela recognized two pro-Russian rebel regions of Georgia as independent states, a rare diplomatic success for Moscow, which has tried unsuccessfully to persuade its allies to do so.

Clinton expressed concern last September about Venezuelan arms purchases and their potential for triggering an arms race in the region.

over the weekend the creation of an independent, clergy-free commission headed by a woman to suggest ways to strengthen church guidelines for dealing with sexual abuse.

Switzerland, home of the Swiss Guard who protect the pope at the Vatican, is considering the radical idea of creating a central registry of pedophile priests to prevent them from coming into contact with children.

And Italy's bishops vowed this week to cooperate with civil authorities.



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Meet James Berisha, Non-official Ambassador of Kosovo



Tuesday afternoon, The Morning News got a surprise visit from James Berisha. James is from Kosovo, a disputed territory in the Balkans. Its majority is governed by the partially-recognized Republic of Kosovo, a self-declared independent state which has de facto control over much of the territory the exceptions are Serb enclaves, the largest one being North Kosovo. Serbia does not recognize the secession of Kosovo and considers it a United Nations-governed entity within its sovereign territory, the Autonomous Province of Kosovo and according to the 2006 Constitution of Serbia (Metohija is the western part of the overall territory).

Kosovo is landlocked and borders Central Serbia north and eastward, the Republic of Macedonia to the south, Albania to the west and Montenegro to the northwest (the latter three recognize it as independent). The largest city and the capital of Kosovo is Pristina.

James left Kosovo to Switzerland for studies at the age of 16. After that he continued his education in Australia and the U.S. Now he is a licensed pilot and for the past 5 years has been living in El Paso, Texas.

James is on a mission. Last year he bought a Cessna 172 single engine and started on a very lone tri. His destiny? All the 65 countries that recognized Kosovo's independence. James is traveling to those countries to personally thank

them for their support and humanitarian help towards his country during the war, and for the recognition of their sovereignty. He also wanted to thank all the countries that sent peace soldiers through NATO to help his fellow countrymen.

In 1999, a brief war fought between NATO and Serbia, the main remnant of the former Yugoslavia, over the status of the Yugoslavian province of Kosovo. In 1998, Serbian president Slobodan Milosevic sent Serbian troops to take back areas of Kosovo controlled by ethnic Albanian guerrillas, triggering a NATO air campaign in 1999. The war ended when Serbia agreed to a peace agreement sponsored by the United Nations.

Unfortunately, on March 1, 1999 James' his father was killed during the war. He was 74 years old.

Now James is flying in his Cessna from one country to another. Most of the expenses he is covering himself, he is getting very few donations. He journey started from El Paso to Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, and from there he continued flying to the 12 countries in South America. Tuesday, he started the Caribbean leg, with Aruba – being part of the Netherlands - as his first stop. He thought the best way to express his gratitude is through the media and chose The Morning News to tell his story to.

"I do thank all of you individually from the bottom of



my heart. Thank you for your encouragement, support, and contributions you all have sacrificed. Thank you to all of you with the media. Your big interest you have shown for my beautiful country Kosovo meant a lot to me and I can assure you that people of Kosovo do the same," James expressed. "I feel privileged hav-

ing had this opportunity to speak on my people's behalf, and spreading their word and wishes around the world, and having their voices heard."

Yesterday morning, James took off to Trinidad, to continue with the rest of his journey in the Caribbean. People interested to know more on James' mission can visit his

website: www.flyingforkosovo.com

Photos show James Berisha, flanked by Ingrid Does and Rosalinda Maduro of THE MORNING NEWS; and James standing next to his Cessna. Note that the phrase 'Please recognize the independence of Kososvo' is written on the plane

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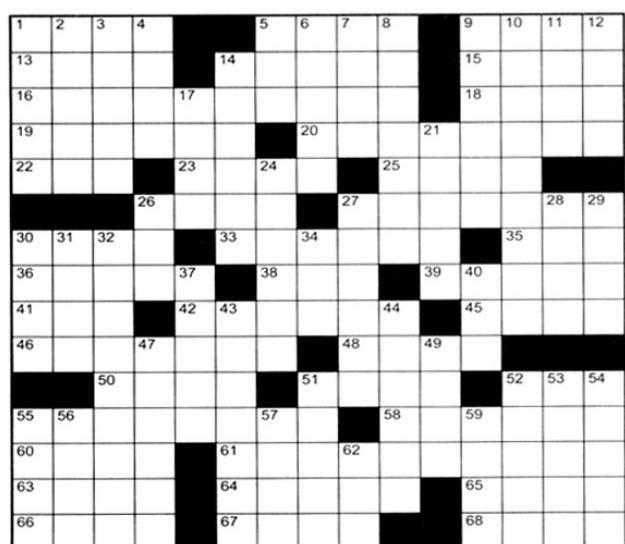
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OPEC chief says current US\$80 oil price range is fair

CANCUN, Mexico (AP) -- The head of OPEC said on Tuesday that current international oil prices hovering around US\$80 a barrel are good for the world economy and oil-producing countries.

However, OPEC Secretary-General Abdalla Salem El Badri said that "anything below US\$70 will not permit us to invest."

Oil prices have ranged from between US\$70 and US\$80 a

barrel in recent months.

"We think this [US\$]70 to [US\$]80 range will not damage any recovery, or hinder any recovery," El Badri said at a forum of 65 countries responsible for 90 percent of the world's oil production and consumption.

"In OPEC, we don't want a low price because a low price would not permit us to invest, so if we don't invest, we cannot have more oil," El Badri said. "And we don't want a very high price — that will affect demand."

Officials meeting in Cancun are discussing a possible plan for combating oil market volatility amid a shaky global economy.

Algerian Energy Minister Chakib Khelil said his country

hopes prices will remain within the current range for the next year.

El Badri said new offshore oil discoveries by Brazil could someday qualify that South American nation for OPEC membership — but not soon.

Brazil could be one day in the future" a member of the organization because of the offshore discovery, he said. "But not now ... six years from now."

Regarding a push for sanctions against Iran's nuclear program, El Badri said: "I hope that the situation between Iran and the United States will be solved peacefully, because in that part of the world we have enough problems. We don't need any more problems."

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Fed official: record low rates still needed

WASHINGTON (AP) – Rock-bottom interest rates are still needed to aid the economic recovery, but there's a chance that the Federal Reserve may have to start raising rates before the nation's unemployment rate drops significantly, a Federal Reserve official said yesterday.

Dennis Lockhart, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, said the Fed is right to pledge to keep rates at record lows for an "extended period." But he — as Federal Reserve

Chairman Ben Bernanke did last week — said that doesn't mean a specific time period or number of meetings. Some analysts have taken it to mean around six months.

After suffering from the worst and longest recession since the 1930s, the economy seems to be on a path for moderate growth, a little below a 3 percent pace for the January-to-March quarter, Lockhart said in a speech to business people meeting in Hartford, Conn.

Obama clears way for oil drilling off US coasts

WASHINGTON (AP) – Reversing a ban on oil drilling off most U.S. shores, President Barack Obama yesterday announced an expansive new policy that could put oil and natural gas platforms in waters along the southern Atlantic coastline, the eastern Gulf of Mexico and part of Alaska.

Speaking at Andrews air base outside Washington,

Obama said, "This is not a decision that I've made lightly." He addressed the expected outcry from disappointed environmentalists by saying he had studied the issue for more than a year and concluded it was the right call given the nation's voracious thirst for energy and the need to produce jobs and keep American businesses competitive.

EU steel makers demand probe into high iron prices

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) – European steel makers yesterday demanded an EU antitrust probe to check for monopoly abuse and cartel-type behavior by the three major iron ore suppliers Vale, BHP Billiton Ltd and Rio Tinto after price increases of more than 80 percent.

European car makers and engineering companies also complained that higher costs for iron ore, steel's key ingredient, could do serious harm to their business and were not justified by higher demand from emerging economies China, India and Brazil and

Steel federation Eurofer, which represents ArcelorMittal SA, ThyssenKrupp AG and

Corus Group PLC, said it has lodged a formal complaint with the European Commission after Vale and BHP Billiton struck deals with Asian steel mills that would increase iron ore prices by between 80 percent and 100 percent.

The group said it saw "strong indications of illicit coordination of prices increases and pricing models and pressure on individual steel producers to accept these changes" that it believed could breach EU competition law.

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The unlocking of the doors was left to the co-managers of the Avon showroom, Juraima Quevedo and Maria Koolman. Top producing Avon staff, part of the more than five hundred who have joined the sales force locally, were invited in to examine the product displays, new catalogs, and the lecture room where Avon representatives will learn about new products.

"Avon is the #1 company in the world offering a diversity of products for personal care," revealed Auclaire, "but it goes way beyond women's cosmetics and fragrances." He offered a quick glance through their catalog of "What's New" to reveal adorable shape-up walking sandals, clothes and accessories for children, and just a small sampling of the more than 2000 products of-

fered by Avon that many would likely not be aware is part of their collection; a revelation, indeed!

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The origin of the Easter Egg

From earliest times, and in most cultures, the egg signified rebirth and resurrection. Eggs were wrapped with gilt or gold leaf, while peasants often dyed their eggs.

In parts of Germany during the early 1880s, Easter eggs substituted for birth certificates. An egg was dyed a solid color, then a design, which included the recipient's name and birth date, was etched into the shell with a needle or sharp tool. Such Easter eggs were honored in law courts as evidence of identity and age.

Decorating and coloring eggs for Easter was the custom in England during the middle ages. The household accounts of Edward I, for the year 1290, recorded an expenditure of eighteen pence for four hundred and fifty eggs to be gold-leaved and colored for Easter gifts.

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Cotton Ball and the Easter Bunnies

by Roland W. Peterson

Cotton Ball is a little fluffy white kitten with sparkling blue eyes. When Cotton Ball is sleeping he looks just like a little ball of white cotton. Only when he gets up and opens his eyes do you see that it is a little kitten. Because he looks like a little ball of white cotton they call him: "Cotton Ball"

But little Cotton Ball has a problem. Cotton Ball was born without a tail. Well not exactly without a tail, he has a very short little tail. You can hardly see it

Cotton Ball's Mommy is very worried because she noticed that when Cotton Ball jumps of a little height he loses his balance.

Cats must have tails to maintain their balance.

Whenever a cat jumps from a height it always lands on its four feet

Cotton Ball is never allowed to play outside with the other cats. Mommy is afraid that Cotton Ball will hurt himself; he always has to stay inside

Little Cotton Ball is very sad he looks at the other cats with their long tails, playing outside. One evening Cotton Ball and his Mommy were lying on the floor under the kitchen table. His Mommy fell asleep, but little Cotton Ball could not sleep. He got up and began walking around in the kitchen.

Oh ... oh some one left the kitchen door open. Cotton Ball who never went outside ventures to stick his head outside the door opening. It is very dark outside, Cotton Ball's eyes open very wide.

Cotton Ball does not see an other cat playing in the yard. Now Cotton Ball steps outside. Very careful he climbs down the steps, he knows he is doing some thing that he should not do. If his Mommy awakes she surely will be angry with him

Still Cotton Ball does not see any other cats outside. He is looking and looking but does not even see a shadow of another cat. When Cotton Ball reaches the back yard he suddenly sees a little open field. On this field he sees three little figures running around

Cotton Ball walks up closer to have a better look. Miauw... miauw, they are three little kittens with very short tails just like him. Cotton Ball cannot believe his eyes. Hop... hop... hop... they are jumping and running around.

Cotton Ball goes on the field and makes friends with the cats with the little tails



Cotton Ball leads his Mommy to the field. Look ... Mommy... look... you see I am telling you the truth. And... really on the field there were three little figures running around.

Mommy goes closer to the field to have a better look. Suddenly she starts to laugh. My little darling... these are not cats with little tails... they are rabbits. Rabbits have little tails

Mommy then tells Cotton Ball what rabbits are and that he may play with them. When the rabbits noticed Cotton Ball they run to him and invite him on the field. Cotton Ball is very happy, he runs onto the field and starts to play with the rabbits.

But that night Cotton Ball and the rabbits have a special job to do. They have to color all the Easter eggs and hide them, because on Easter morning all the little children will search for them.

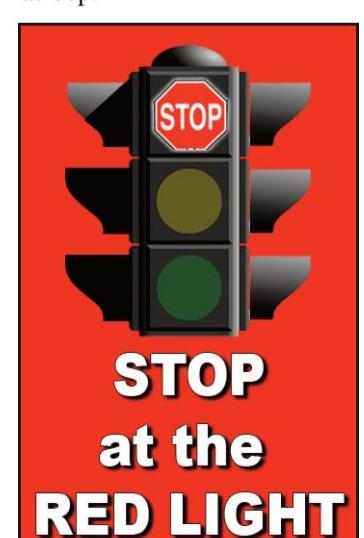
Mommy sits down and sees how Cotton Ball and the rabbits color the Easter Eggs. The different colors, red, blue, green, yellow, purple and so on. With baskets full they were running and hiding the eggs all.

You should see little Cotton Ball, he has paint smudges all over his body. Mommy was very satisfied that Cotton Ball finally has some friends to play with.

And so Cotton Ball paints and hides until the last Easter egg is done. Since that day Cotton Ball helps the rabbits color and hide the Easter Eggs

When Mommy tells Daddy and Cotton Ball's brothers and sisters how Cotton Ball mistook the rabbits for cats with little tails they all laugh and have lots of fun.

Since then every night before Easter Mommy tells the story about little Cotton Ball and the rabbits. And they all laugh and laugh until they fall asleep.





10th Cees Bossers Cup to be held at Eagle Beach this Easter weekend



This Easter weekend will be filled with action during the annual Beach Soccer tourney. This event is nor-

mally filled with fans and spectators giving support to their teams.

A total of 16 teams in-

scribed for this year's competition. Beach soccer has become a world famous event and even international teams has already shown interest in joining our local tourney.

The organization with help of their sponsors will also set up a Fun Zone with various activities, such as Footvolley, Egg Hunt for Lifa and much more.

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The goal of this tournament is to get funds to cover the team's expenses.

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NHL Standings

EASTERN CONF.				
Atlantic	W	L	Pts	
x-Pittsburgh	44	25	95	
x-New Jersey	44	26	93	
Philadelphia	38	32	82	
NY Rangers	33	32	76	
NY Islanders	31	34	72	
Northeast				
x-Buffalo	41	23	92	
Ottawa	41	30	87	
Montreal	37	31	82	
Boston	34	28	80	
Toronto	28	35	69	
Southeast				
y-Washington	49	15	109	
Atlanta	33	30	78	
Tampa Bay	30	33	72	
Florida	30	33	71	
Carolina	31	35	71	

WESTERN CONF.

Central	W	L	Pts	
x-Chicago	46	21	99	
Nashville	43	27	92	
Detroit	39	23	91	
St. Louis	36	30	81	
Columbus	31	32	75	
Northwest				
Vancouver	45	26	94	
Colorado	41	27	89	
Calgary	38	29	85	
Minnesota	36	33	78	
Edmonton	24	44	55	
Pacific				
x-San Jose	47	19	104	
x-Phoenix	47	23	100	
Los Angeles	42	26	90	
Dallas	33	28	80	
Anaheim	35	31	78	

x-Clinched Playoff Spot; y-Division Champ

NBA Standings

EASTERN CONF.				
Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
y- Boston	47	26	644	--
Toronto	36	37	.493	11.0
N.York	26	47	.356	21.0
Phil	26	48	.351	21.5
N.Jersey	10	64	.135	37.5
Central				
y-Cleveland	58	16	.784	--
Milwaukee	41	32	.562	16.5
Chicago	35	39	.473	23.0
Indiana	28	47	.373	30.5
Detroit	23	50	.315	34.5
Southeast				
x- Orlando	52	22	.703	--
x- Atlanta	47	26	.644	4.5
Miami	40	34	.541	12.0
Charlotte	38	34	.521	13.5
Wash.	21	52	.288	30.5

WESTERN CONF.

Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Dallas	49	25	.662	--
San Ant.	44	29	.603	4.5
Memphis	38	35	.521	10.5
Houston	37	36	.507	11.5
N.Orleans	35	40	.467	14.5
Northwest				
x-Utah	49	26	.653	--
x-Denver	48	27	.640	1.0
Okl. City	45	28	.616	3.0
Portland	45	29	.608	3.5
Minn.	14	60	.189	34.5
Pacific				
x-LA Lakers	54	20	.730	--
Phoenix	48	26	.649	6.0
LA Clippers	27	47	.365	27.0
Sacra.	24	51	.320	30.5
Golden St.	21	52	.288	32.5

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—Louisville and coach Rick Pitino have agreed in principle to a four-year contract extension that will keep Pitino with the Cardinals through 2017.

Financial terms have yet to be worked out, but athletic director Tom Jurich says he wants Pitino's salary to be competitive with the top 10 coaching salaries in the country. Pitino's previous contract ran through the 2012-13 season and paid him approximately \$2.5 million a year.

The agreement moves up payment of a \$3.6 million loyalty bonus due on July 1. Pitino will now receive the payment on April 1.

Pitino recently completed his ninth season with the Cardinals, who finished 20-13 and were eliminated in the opening round of the NCAA tournament. His career record is 220-86 at Louisville and 572-210 overall.

The organization with help of their sponsors will also set up a Fun Zone with various activities, such as Footvolley, Egg Hunt for Lifa and much more.

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matinee: 1:45

PG BROOKLYN'S FINEST
daily: 6:00
matinee: 12:00

PG VALENTINE'S DAY
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matinee: 12:45

PG ALICE IN WONDERLAND
daily: 6:00
matinee: 1:00

AT PASEO HERENCIA

PG HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON
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matinee: 1:25

PG DIARY OF A WIMPY KID
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matinee: 12:00

R CASE 39
daily: 5:45
matinee: 12:15

PG-13 OUR FAMILY WEDDING
daily: 5:30
matinee: 12:45

R FROM PARIS WITH LOVE
daily: 9:00
matinee: late show: 11:30

R GREEN ZONE
daily: 6:30
matinee: 1:00

R SHUTTER ISLAND
daily: 5:45
matinee: 2:45

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON (Action/Adv.) :A Viking teenager named Hiccup lives on the island of Berk, where fighting dragons is a way of life. The teen's smarts and offbeat sense of humor don't sit too well with his tribe or its chief... who just happens to be Hiccup's father. However, when Hiccup is included in Dragon Training with the other Viking teens, he sees his chance to prove he has what it takes to be a fighter.

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On the road to 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa

Wesley Sneijder- Holland Want To Win The Tournament

The Dutch midfielder is full of ambition for the 2010 World Cup.

Holland are considered as an outsider for the 2010 World Cup by many and Inter playmaker Wesley Sneijder has made it clear that the

Dutch are full of ambition for this summer's tournament. They will have to deal with Cameroon, Denmark and Japan in the group phase first though.

"It really is a very tough group. All these teams have

different playing styles, but the advantage that we have is that we know them all very well," said Sneijder to fifa.com.

"I think that we'll get through the group stage and then we'll have to take it one

match at a time, and hope that we get the slice of luck that you need in a tournament like that.

"I personally hope that I will be a key player within the team. We've all got the same aim in the squad though... we want to win the

World Cup.

"All the big names of world football will be in with a shout though. On my list I'd have European champions Spain, Brazil, Germany, the holders Italy, Argentina and England as well."

Mexico Call 17 As World Cup Roster Takes Shape

MEXICO -The first phase of Mexico's World Cup roster selection is complete as Mexico manager Javier Aguirre released a list of 17 players who will make up a training camp beginning on April 12.

Perhaps the biggest surprise is the inclusion of veteran 'keeper Oscar Perez. The starter in the 2002 World Cup, Perez was not called in for any of Mexico's friendly matches in 2010 but incumbent starter Guillermo Ochoa has made a pair of goalkeeping blunders lately and perhaps led to Perez's recall.

Goalkeepers: Guillermo Ochoa (America), Luis

Ernesto Michel (Guadalajara), Oscar Perez (Jaguares).

Defenders: Paul Aguilar (Pachuca), Efrain Juarez (Pumas), Jonny Magallon (Guadalajara), Juan Carlos Valenzuela (America), Jorge Torres Nilo (Atlas), Adrian Aldrete (Morelia).

Midfielders: Gerardo Torrado (Cruz Azul), Israel Castro (Pumas), Pablo Barrera (Pumas).

Forwards: Adolfo Bautista (Guadalajara), Alberto Medina (Guadalajara), Javier Hernandez (Guadalajara), Miguel Sabah (Morelia), Cuauhtemoc Blanco (Veracruz).

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Woods shamed himself but not game of golf

AUGUSTA (AP) -The azaleas will be in bloom as usual, because there are people who make sure of it at Augusta National. As a bonus this year, Jack and Arnie will reunite on the first tee.

Golf will be played as usual, and Jim Nance will describe it all in reverential tones. By early evening next Sunday, someone will be wearing a green jacket.

The Masters will survive the sideshow born of the sordid tales of Tiger Woods, and that's only fitting.

Because while Woods has shamed himself plenty, he has done nothing to shame the game of golf.

Remember that when the circus begins at Augusta Na-

tional on Monday, and Woods steps into the cross hairs of the once tepid golf media. Remember it, too, when he steps onto the first tee Thursday to hit a drive that will formally announce his return to golf.

Yes, he flaunted society's rules of engagement with his bevy of mistresses. He did a terrible thing to his wife and, because of that, a lot of people will never again regard him the same way.

But as the golf season begins anew in Georgia, life also begins anew for Woods. He'll be back on familiar ground, with a familiar goal replacing some new ones he may have learned in therapy.

And, after four long

months spent judging Woods for what he did away from the golf course, maybe it's time to start judging him again for what he does on it.

The game deserves it. So, in a way, does Woods, whose remarkable run over the last 14 years changed the very way the game is played.

The details of some of his escapades - if true - are even more disturbing. I don't know how anyone can look at the infamous Woods glare now without either laughing or feeling queasy.

But this isn't about morality, or his startling lack of it. We've had plenty of time to digest and debate what Woods did and why.

This is about golf. And, really, that's how it should be as the game returns to one of its most revered places with a story line the late Bobby Jones could never have imagined when he built it.

Expect some commotion, at least outside the gates. The paparazzi will be in town, and so will every kook attempting to latch onto the moment for his or her 15 minutes of fame.

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